

FORM ACF-202 – TANF CASELOAD REDUCTION REPORT

Date of Completion 11.25.2013

State: ARKANSAS

Fiscal Year to which credit applies: 2014

Overall Report  (check one)  
Two-parent Report

Apply the overall credit to the two-parent participation rate?  yes  
 no

**PART 1 –Eligibility Changes Made Since FY 2005**

(Complete this section for EACH change)

- 1. Name of eligibility change: ARKANSAS WORK PAYS PROGRAM
- 2. Implementation date of eligibility change: JULY 2006
- 3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy:

ARKANSAS ACT 1705 OF 2005 ESTABLISHED THE WORK PAYS PROGRAM. WORK PAYS IS A POST EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE WORKING TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (TEA) CLIENTS, WHO BECOME EMPLOYED AND ARE NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR TEA, TO REMAIN EMPLOYED AFTER CLOSURE OF THEIR TEA CASE WHILE INCREASING THEIR HOURS OF WORK AND/OR HOURLY WAGE.

- 4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change (attach supporting materials to this form):

USING AVAILABLE PROGRAM DATA, THE MONTHLY NUMBER OF WORK PAYS PARTICIPANTS IS ENTERED INTO THE NET IMPACT TABLE TO ARRIVE AT A MONTHLY AVERAGE OF 1,046.

- 5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 1,046

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## PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit

(Complete Part 2 using Excel Workbook provided.)

### METHODOLOGY

THE DOLLAR AMOUNT BY WHICH THE STATE EXCEEDED ITS REQUIRED MOE SPENDING LEVEL OF \$22,228,215, AS PUBLISHED BY ACF

IS DIVIDED BY THE NUMBER OF AVERAGE ANNUAL COST OF PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES.

REDUCE THE MEASURED CASELOAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CASELOAD REDUCTION CREDIT BY THIS NUMBER OF FAMILIES.

STATE EXPENDITURES	\$88,691,726	TOTAL TANF/MOE SPENDING	\$129,397,261
80% MOE REQUIREMENTS	-\$22,228,215	AVERAGE FFY2013 CASELOAD	7,227
EXCESS MOE	\$66,463,511	AVERAGE SPENDING PER CASE	\$17,905

THE CASES FUNDED WITH EXCESS MOE WAS CALCULATED AS:

EXCESS MOE (\$66,463,511) DIVIDED BY THE AVERAGE SPENDING PER CASE (\$17,905) = 3,712

THESE 3,712 CASES WERE SUBTRACTED FROM THE FFY2013 AVERAGE CASELOAD OF 7,227 = 3,515.

THE RESULTING OVERALL CASELOAD REDUCTION FOR ALL FAMILIES CASES IS 59.3%

THE RESULTING OVERALL CASELOAD REDUCTION FOR TWO-PARENT CASES IS 46.8%

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**PART 3 -- Certification**

I certify that we have provided the public an appropriate opportunity to comment on the estimates and methodology used to complete this report and considered those comments in completing it. Further, I certify that this report incorporates all reductions in the caseload resulting from State eligibility changes and changes in Federal requirements since Fiscal Year 2005.

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